



Texas Chicken and Egg Report

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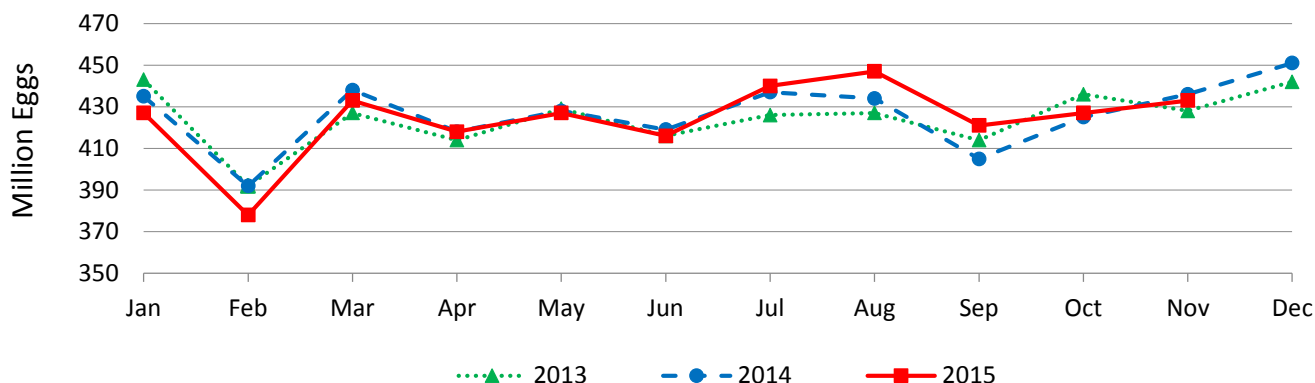
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This report contains the results from the December 2015 Chicken and Egg Survey. The estimates in this report are based on a monthly survey of contractors and independent producers who have at least 30,000 laying hens for table egg and/or hatchery supply. We would like to thank all producers whose responses to the survey made these estimates for Texas possible. Results from the next monthly survey will be made available on January 22, 2016.

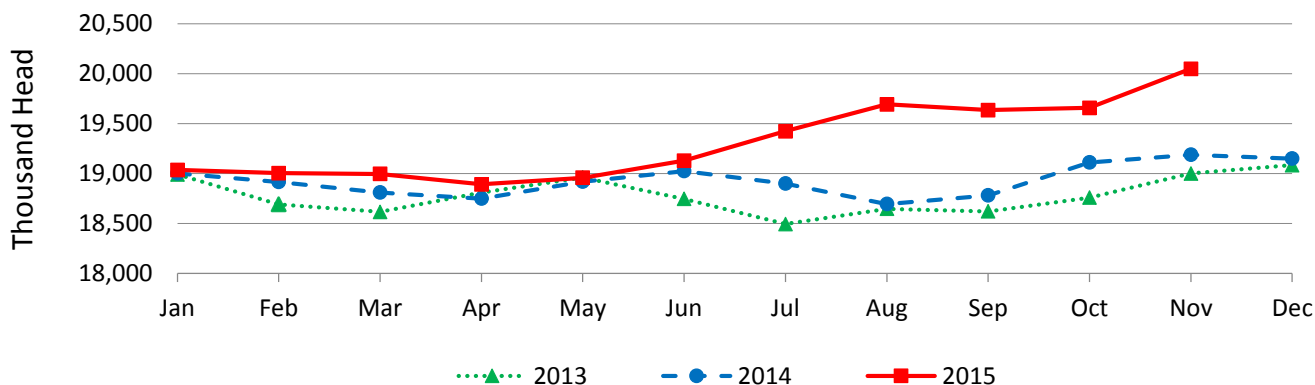
November 2015 egg production in Texas totaled 433 million eggs, down 1 percent from November 2014, but up 1 percent from October 2015.

Texas Monthly Egg Production

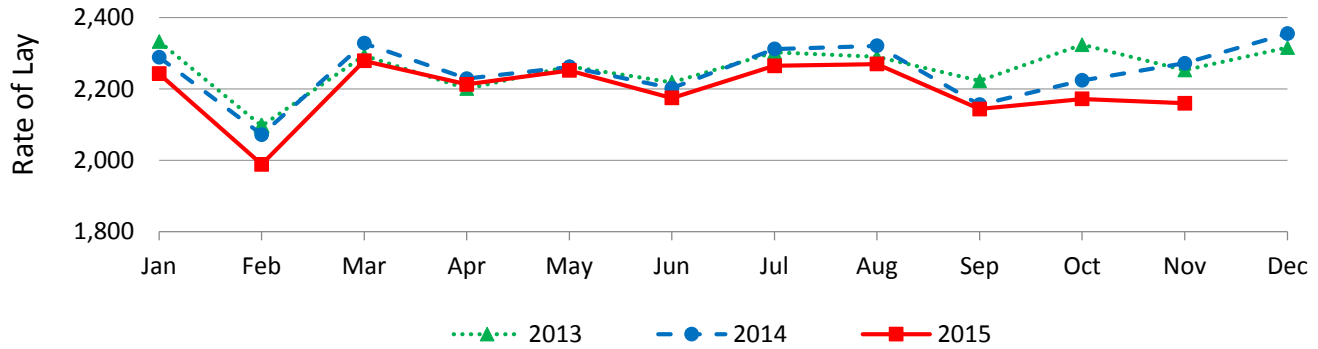


The number of layers during November 2015 averaged 20.0 million, 4 percent higher than last year, and 2 percent higher than October 2015. Egg production per 100 layers averaged 2,160 eggs, down from last year's 2,272 eggs, and down from last month's 2,172 eggs.

Texas Average Layers During the Month



Texas Monthly Eggs Produced Per 100 Layers



U.S. Highlights: United States egg production totaled 7.66 billion eggs during November 2015, 9 percent below a year ago. Production included 6.57 billion table eggs, 1.01 billion broiler-type hatching eggs and 82.0 million egg-type hatching eggs. Nationally, the total number of layers averaged 339 million during November 2015, down 7 percent from a year ago. Production per 100 layers was 2,259 eggs during November, down 2 percent from last year.

The U.S. monthly hatch of egg-type chicks totaled 46.0 million, 26 percent higher than November 2014. The hatch of broiler-type chicks, at 733 million, was slightly lower than November of last year. The leading U.S. breeders placed 7.23 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during November 2015, down 5 percent from November 2014.

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